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Applicant: Vincent L. Bobrosky, et al.

Title: AIR FILTRATING SELF-PROPELLED UPRIGHT VACUUM CLEANER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-referenced application, enclosed herewith, as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 3 with the following paragraph:

This is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/550,571, filed April 17, 2000, which
(now U.S. Patent No. 6,308,374, issued October 30, 2001)
is a divisional of application Serial No. 08/958,762, filed October 25, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,085,382) which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/035,357, filed January 10, 1997.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel without prejudice claims 1-28.

Please add new claim 29 as follows:

- 1 29. (new) A vacuum cleaner comprising:
17 22 a lower base unit;
- 3 an upper enclosure for housing a filter bag, the upper enclosure being pivotable
- 4 with respect to the lower base unit;
- 5 a motor disposed within the lower base unit;

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